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ARMY BARRACKS NW - AREA D
CHAP LE, NORTH VIETNAM
1708N 10656E

1. COLLATERAL REPORTS THAT ON 8 FEBRUARY 1965, THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE AIR FORCE, WITH U.S. AIR SUPPORT, STRUCK CHAP LE ARMY BARRACKS NW. AIRCRAFT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

- 26 ALH (STRIKE)
- 6 ALH (FLAK SUPPRESSION)
- 8 F100 (FLAK SUPPRESSION)
- 3 RF 101 (RECONNAISSANCE)
- 4 F100 (RECONNAISSANCE ESCORT)
- 4 F100 (RESCUE COMBAT AIR PATROL)
- 4 F100 (COMBAT AIR PATROL)

FLAK SUPPRESSION AIRCRAFT LACED THE AREA EFFECTIVELY WITH ROCKETS JUST BEFORE THE AIRCRAFT MADE THEIR RUN. ONE ALH AIRCRAFT CRASHED INTO THE GULF OF TONKIN. A TOTAL OF 127,920 POUNDS OF ORDNANCE WAS EXPENDED.

2. EARLY- AND MID-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF

REVEAL A BARRACKS AREA 2.5 NM NORTHWEST OF

CHAP LE. THIS AREA CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING: FOUR BARRACKS BUILDINGS (THREE ON FIRE AND ONE PARTIALLY DISMANTLED), ONE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ONE MESSHALL, AND SEVERAL MISCELLANEOUS SHEDS AND HUTS, ONE OF WHICH IS BURNING. ALSO OBSERVED ARE THIRTEEN VEHICLE REVELTMENTS IN THE WESTERN SECTION OF THE AREA, NUMEROUS PERSONNEL, AND ONE CAMOUFLAGED TRUCK.

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NUMEROUS AW POSITIONS, SOME OF WHICH ARE OCCUPIED, AND TRENCHES ARE VISIBLE THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

3. POST-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED]

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REVEALS THE FOLLOWING DAMAGE:

BUILDINGS

DAMAGE AS OF [REDACTED]

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4 BARRACKS

3 DESTROYED

1 PARTIALLY DISMANTLED

1 ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

1 UNDAMAGED

1 MESSHALL

1 UNDAMAGED

13 VEHICLE REVETMENTS

9 DAMAGED

4 UNDAMAGED

1 CAMOUFLAGED TRUCK

1 BURNING

MISCELLANEOUS SHEDS
AND HUTS.

1 DESTROYED

NUMEROUS BOMB AND ROCKET CRATERS ARE OBSERVED IN THE AREA. PERSONNEL SEEN EARLIER ON MISSION [REDACTED] ARE NO LONGER VISIBLE.

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4. AREA HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY COVERED BY NUMEROUS COLD TALE, LAZY DAISY, LUCKY DRAGON, AND TROJAN HORSE MISSIONS.

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